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TITLE OF INVENTION TRAFFIC ACCIDENT DATA RECORDER AND TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPRODUCTION SYSTEM AND METHOD

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<b>Notice of Allowability</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	09/433,549	BAGUE, ADOLFO VAEZA
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Gertrude Arthur	3661

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

- This communication is responsive to the amendment filed 1/19/01.
- The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18.
- The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are acceptable as formal drawings.
- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - All
  - Some\*
  - None
 of the:
  - Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* Certified copies not received: \_\_\_\_\_.
- Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. **THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE FOR SUBMITTING NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS, OR A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION. This three-month period for complying with the REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL is extendable under 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

- Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
- Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
  - including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review( PTO-948) attached
    - hereto or 2)  to Paper No. 4.
  - including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed \_\_\_\_\_, which has been approved by the examiner.
  - including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

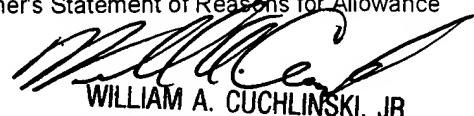
- Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any reply to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE / SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

**Attachment(s)**

- Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449), Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.
- Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

- Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No. \_\_\_\_\_.
- Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- Other

  
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Art Unit:

## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art fails to disclose a system for sensing, storing and updating operational parameters, visual conditions and audible conditions associated with an automotive vehicle, comprising microprocessor control means responsive to vehicle operational parameters which have been registered by the plurality of sensors for processing the operational parameters and video images and audio signals from digital video/audio camera; and rewritable no-volatile memory means for storing processed operational parameters, visual images and audio signals which are provided by microprocessor control means; and the microprocessor control means updating the rewritable memory as new parameters, visual images and audio signals are sensed. Nor does it disclose a method for recording events relating to an accident involving an automotive vehicle, wherein the method performs the steps above. These limitations are neither taught nor obvious by the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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***Conclusion***

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gertrude Arthur whose telephone number is (703) 308-7564. The examiner can normally be reached on Tuesday-Friday from 8:30 a.m to 6:00 p.m and every first Monday of the bi-week from 8:30 a.m to 6:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Cuchlinski, can be reached on (703) 308-3873. The appropriate fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-7687.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1113.

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